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## Warm Weather has Come

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### HILL CASE COMMENCED

Suit to Recover \$236,000 Lost by the State of Nebraska.

#### FIRST SUPREME COURT JURY

Plan of the Defense and the Arguments to Be Made by the State's Counsel—Relief of the Capital National Bank Crash at Lincoln.

LINCOLN, April 29.—The state supreme court convened in extraordinary session this afternoon to hear the case of the state of Nebraska against ex-State Treasurer Hill and his bondsmen to recover the sum of \$236,000 which was lost in the failure of the Capital National bank of Lincoln. The case will be tried by a jury, and a special panel has been drawn for the occasion. This is the first time in the history of the state that such a course has been resorted to.

The story of the occurrences out of which the case arises is familiar to nearly every citizen of the state. Briefly stated it is this:

On Jan. 14, 1893, J. E. Hill was succeeded as state treasurer by J. S. Bartley, the present treasurer. On that day Hill turned over to Bartley and received from him a receipt for the state moneys in the hands of the treasurer. The actual cash was but little, but in drafts, certificates of deposit and bank paper there was over \$1,500,000. Hill got the certificate of settlement from the state auditor, that the law requires he should have to relieve him from responsibility, and with this and the receipt of the incoming treasurer he claims that he and his bondsmen were free from all further liability.

The state depository law was in effect and the state officers whose duty it is to designate these depositories had just accepted the bond of the Capital National bank for \$700,000 and Bartley deposited therein certificates of deposit issued by this bank to Hill and which Hill had turned over to him in the transfer, amounting to \$236,000. Under the depository law this then became, it is contended, a deposit by the treasurer in an authorized state depository. Bartley checked out of this bank during the next few days \$50,000, and on Jan. 21 the bank was closed.

The attorneys for the state make the claim that the turning over by Hill to Bartley of the bank checks, certificates of deposit and bank drafts was not a proper turning over of the funds of the state which had been in his, Hill's, hands as treasurer. That the deposit in the Capital National bank represented by the certificates of deposit of that bank had no existence, and that the state treasurer could not relieve himself of the responsibility by the transfer of mere bank paper.

The governor was authorized by the legislature in 1893 to employ special counsel and take such proceedings as might be necessary to recover for the state the \$236,000 which was not drawn out by Bartley. Judge Wakeley of Omaha was employed as such counsel in the spring of 1893, and has had charge of the case since. Last fall G. M. Lambertson of Lincoln was added to the state's counsel.

Attorney General Churchill will assist the special counsel for the state in the trial and it is understood that to his share will fall the difficult work of selecting the jury that will try the case.

Fatal Accident at Grand Island. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., April 29.—August Mundi and Frank Godfrey, from Appleton, Wis., were run down by a switch engine while trying to board a Union Pacific passenger train. Mundi had both legs severed and died soon after the accident. Godfrey was badly injured, but will probably recover. Mundi's mother is wealthy. She has been notified of her son's death. The men were Union Pacific passengers for Denver.

Plattsmouth Journal Quits. PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., April 29.—The Plattsmouth Daily Journal, organ of the Cass county democracy, has suspended publication, the plant being taken possession of to satisfy a mortgage of \$500. C. S. Sherman the publisher says he has enough outstanding accounts to pay all indebtedness. A stock company will probably arrange to secure the plant and resume publication.

Convicted Indian Police. PENDER, Neb., April 29.—The criminal action brought against the two Indian police, Samuel Elk and James Blackbird, who were arrested for resisting an officer, was tried by a jury of six men before County Judge Chase. A verdict of guilty was brought in and the judge sentenced them to one day in the county jail and to pay the cost of the prosecution.

Ponca City Treasurer Short. SIOUX CITY, April 29.—E. C. Ollerman, city treasurer of Ponca, 30 miles from here, was arrested, charged with a shortage of \$1,135 in his accounts. His report to the outgoing council a few nights ago showed the deficiency. He was released on \$1,000 bail.

Bucking Broncho Wins. OGALLALA, Neb., April 29.—Ernest Rema, a cowboy, was thrown from a bucking broncho at Indian Wells and had his leg broken in two places.

Boy Killed by Lightning. HARLAN, Ia., April 29.—Lightning killed a 14-year-old son of B. Hyler, a farmer, while he was plowing in a field.

Ohio Miners Ordered Out. CANTON, O., April 29.—Miners of the Massillon district have been ordered out on May 1 and await orders from the arbitration board of 60 cents expires May 1 and miners who accepted under protest wanted an advance.

### Nichols and Hershey News.

Corn planting is in full blast.

"Dad" Wolf took a trip over into the south hills the fore part of the week.

Superintendent Park, of North Platte, who has had a gang of men setting out fruit trees upon his farm northeast of here for several days past, expects to complete the job to-day.

Samuel Funkhouser marketed a load of millet seed at the hub Saturday.

J. M. Dwyer was at the county seat with a load of potatoes the last of the week.

Rev. Graves, of North Platte, preached to a fair sized audience at Hershey on last Sunday evening.

The rain which prevailed in this country on last Saturday was an old fashioned thunder storm, which penetrated the ground to the depth of several inches.

The Dempster manufacturing company of Beatrice sent a man here on Saturday to repair the Sullivan boys' irrigation windmill, which was somewhat damaged in a recent wind storm. He left it in good shape.

Work on the O'Fallon lateral is being pushed as rapidly as possible. It will be completed in a week or ten days if all is well.

Vegetation of all kinds is on the boom since the recent rain. Small grain and grass is "getting there with both feet."

H. W. Brown made a business trip to the ranch in McPherson county the latter part of last week.

W. A. Paxton, of Omaha, is looking after business interests in this locality at this writing.

J. G. Pecken has his irrigation windmill erected and as soon as he gets his well, which is an open one, completed and pump in shape he will be ready for business. He is well along in his well with brick and cement, when completed it will be one of the finest in this country.

The manager of the hub passed down the line on his wheel Friday evening. He had been looking after business up in the western part of the present.

D. A. Brown expects to break out about thirty or thirty-five acres of sod upon his farm at this station this season.

J. W. Liles marketed wheat at the county seat the latter part of the week.

The hungry, dirty and ragged tramp has been quite numerous along the line for the past week.

Archie Anderson attended Sunday school at the Platte Valley school house last Sunday. There must be some attraction in that part of the country of unusual merit for him.

Assessor Will Brooks is looking after the wealth of the citizens in this precinct at the present time.

Mrs. John Merryman, of the county capital, called on old time friends in this community lately.

A number of grangers over on the ditch were hauling seed potatoes from the Platte yesterday. They were of the Colorado brand and were purchased of Roadmaster Conners, so we understand.

C. L. Patterson of the county seat was viewing the Farmer's & Merchant's canal in this locality yesterday.

The citizens of Hershey were treated to a game of ball by local sports on last Sunday.

Constable Lemon of the hub passed up the line Monday morning in route for Sutherland on legal business.

Agent Smith of Hershey is taking a lay off at present.

Friends from abroad visited Oliver Eyerly and family recently.

Quite a number "prairie schooners" have passed up the line within the past few days.

While in the city of North Platte a few days since "ye scribe" was interviewed by several parties in regard to the health of J. B. McKee who formerly resided in that city, but with his family moved upon his farm near this place early in the spring, and has not been in that city for a month or more, which seemed to be the cause for their inquiring after his health but they were politely informed that Jim was attending strictly to business affairs upon his farm and therefore had no time to spend in town unnecessarily.

## MILLINERY! MILLINERY!

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ever exhibited in the city of North Platte.

Call and examine them.

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of the Browns Thursday night last week.

If you ever saw a jolly set of grangers it is those in this vicinity since the rain on Saturday last week. They can hardly work for laughing.

Several parties from Logan, McPherson and Custer counties received aid in the shape of seed corn and potatoes at Charles McAllister's in this precinct on last Friday. It had been purchased by the proper authorities from parties in this country and delivered at the places mentioned. It was paid for with their share of the state apportionment. They also received oats, barley, beans etc. in the same way at North Platte. After which they departed to their respective homes and it is reported that many of them were caught out in the rain on Saturday but did not grumble a particle but took it like little men.

Within the last fifteen days 5,000 gopher scalps have been received at the county clerk's office. Most of these are coming in from the country. At this rate the gopher scalp record of last year for this month will be exceeded.—Kearney Era.

A Chicago inventor threatens to evict the typewriter and destroy an unfailing source of romance and flirtation. He is perfecting what is called the phonantograph, into which one may talk and have his or her words reproduced in plain United States.

Fremont lately shipped a carload of horseradish to New York. If the semi-arid west had some way of securing an option on the tears that innocent radish will cause to flow, the problem of water supply for irrigation purposes would be solved.—O'Neil Frontier.

S. P. Delatour, of Blue Creek, is making it very uncomfortable for certain fellows suspected of cattle stealing in his neighborhood. Mr. Delatour is doing more to rid the country of this pestilence than any other man in it, and he ought to be aided and assisted by every one that's in sympathy with the rustlers.—Chappell Register.

Another Indian company of the army has been disbanded, Troop L, Eighth Cavalry. Only two companies now remain, I, of the Twelfth Infantry, and L, of the Third Cavalry. The Indian does not seem to fill the bill as a soldier. When the experiment was begun eight troops of cavalry and nineteen companies of infantry were ordered recruited, and at one time 780 Indians were in the ranks.

Pennsylvania farmers approve a legislative proposition to tax beer manufactured outside the state and sold within its limits. It is proposed to make the tax 24 cents a barrel, and smaller packages in proportion. About 500,000 barrels of beer are taken into the state annually. The reason of the tax is a desire in the country districts to continue the school appropriation of the last two years, that is to say, raise in the next two years about \$2,500,000 this way.

One of those ludicrous blunders that occasionally occur in a newspaper office to vary monotony, was perpetrated by the New York World a few days ago. In gathering up the store of "old papers" to ship to a paper mill the boys got hold of a large part of the sheets printed in advance for the next Sunday's edition and dumped it in with therest. The error was not discovered until must of the Sunday sheets had been reduced to pulp. They had to print them over again.

In Laramie county, Colorado, they raised a potato last year that is beginning to have its photograph published in the eastern papers. According to the affidavits of leading citizens this potato was twenty-eight inches long and fourteen inches wide and weighed eighty-six pounds and ten ounces. Several other potatoes were raised on the same acre and the affidavit makers attest that they weighed altogether 25,816 pounds and measured 430 bushels and sixteen pounds. The potatoes were of the "Maggie Murphy" variety.—Journal.

The tax commissioners have decided to bid the Gould estate for \$10,000,000 of personality this year. They arrived at this determination despite the fact that Geo. J. Gould, in whose name the assessment is made out, claims Lakewood as his residence. It is believed that the stand of the commissioners will result in a renewal of the legal battle which was waged over the matter last year. In case of the estate paying the tax, it is understood that it will be under protest, with a view of subsequent recovery, in case the courts come to its rescue.

Quite a lot of people from the west end of the county were in the city the first of the week attending the meeting of the county commissioners, the occasion being the consideration of a petition by the board to lay off an irrigation district through the precincts of Gilan, Blain and German, in conformity with a law passed by the last session of the legislature. There was considerable opposition to the granting of the petition and the commissioners delayed taking any decisive action in the matter until to-day, when they meet again and will probably arrive at a decision. The proposed canal taps the Platte river in Lincoln county a few miles east of North Platte, and for twenty or thirty miles will run through the sand hills before reaching the western line of Dawson county. Its estimated cost is about \$200,000, which under the law will be raised by bonding the lands in the district through which it runs. It is a matter that should be given careful attention before final action is taken.—Lexington Pioneer.

Hard and Bitter Will. It was remarked by a writer long ago that "there is no revenge so hard and bitter as that of an old man," and it is one of the astonishing perversities of many natures that the longer they live the harder they hug their possessions. The most disinterested affection is passed over, the most faithful and most valuable services are slightly and grudgingly rewarded. This mental and moral disease notably afflicts the rich. The Marquis d'Aligre was a singular example. His will was concocted with a special desire to disappoint and insult his relatives, friends and servants. To the first it said: "As for you, my relatives who have been so long spelling upon this fortune on which I had concentrated all my affections, you are not going to touch a penny of it, and not one of you will be able to boast that you have squandered the millions which the old Marquis d'Aligre had taken so many years to board up."

Divorce in Burma. Suppose a Burmese husband and wife quarrel and determine to separate. The wife, who always does all the marketing, goes out and buys two little candles of equal length, which are made especially for this use. She brings them home. She and her husband sit down on the floor and light them simultaneously. One candle stands for him, the other for her. The one whose candle burns out first rises and goes out of the house forever, with nothing but what he or she may have on. The one whose candle has survived the longest, even by a second, takes everything. So the divorce and division of the property, if you can call that a division, are settled.—Philadelphia Times.

Hard Wood. According to a recent legal decision reported in The Timberman, hard wood is "any tree that has a least as distinguished from a needle." A man contracted to deliver to a railroad hard wood cordwood, and he delivered a poplar in part fulfillment of the contract. The railroad rejected this as not hard wood and sued, but the contractor won the case on the decision of the court, as reported above. Women will now have a distinct and lawful standard to gauge their hard wood furniture descriptions.